

1-24-1873

# Letter from James Frothingham Whitney, New York, New York, to Sarah Whitney, 1873 January 24

James Frothingham Whitney

Wellesley College Archives

Follow this and additional works at: [https://repository.wellesley.edu/whitney\\_correspondence](https://repository.wellesley.edu/whitney_correspondence)

---

## Recommended Citation

Whitney, James Frothingham and Wellesley College Archives, "Letter from James Frothingham Whitney, New York, New York, to Sarah Whitney, 1873 January 24" (1873). *Papers of Anne Whitney (MSS.4): Correspondence*. 1348.  
[https://repository.wellesley.edu/whitney\\_correspondence/1348](https://repository.wellesley.edu/whitney_correspondence/1348)

This Correspondence is brought to you for free and open access by the Papers of Anne Whitney (MSS.4) at Wellesley College Digital Scholarship and Archive. It has been accepted for inclusion in Papers of Anne Whitney (MSS.4): Correspondence by an authorized administrator of Wellesley College Digital Scholarship and Archive. For more information, please contact [ir@wellesley.edu](mailto:ir@wellesley.edu).



With nothing new to tell you,  
or interesting, save that  
we are all well, Emma  
still with us, and love  
to all I may say, adieu.  
Yours James

Brooklyn  
Jan'y 24/73

My dear Sarah. if you  
have not already been  
told from the other side  
of the river of the safe arrival  
of your mail offerings, it is  
my pleasure first to report.  
Carrie's book came yesterday  
(and is no duplicate of any  
other she has) and Emma's  
package the day before -  
Emma was much gratified  
that the contents were not  
socks; - of which she has had  
10y pairs sent in - and not  
Dacques, of wh. she has had  
so many that it would not  
be safe for her to give the  
number, as my figures might  
lie, for my memory grows  
treacherous since I have become  
a grandfather - but the article



was just what was needed,  
and she was hoping, that  
with all her gettings, some  
of her friends might not forget  
just the thing she was in want  
of. You hit it exactly; and  
as you will doubtless soon have  
the thanks of the recipient her-  
self, ~~very soon~~ I will rush  
up, (as the boys say), and say  
no more about it, except to  
mention that Emma seems very  
much gratified and grateful  
to her numerous friends for all  
these little baby comforts, so use-  
ful and warm. If these  
things be in the green tree, what  
about the dry? (How is that?)  
I meant it for a Bible quotation  
but it don't look right. My  
Scripture reading has been shame-  
fully neglected of late, and I must  
review) Carrie's two books were  
precisely the same, both 2<sup>d</sup> Series.

Your letters of 25 I gladly  
read. I am glad to hear  
from you always, be it  
Tuesday, or Friday or any  
other day of the week.  
Sunday is as good a day  
to write as any other if a body  
has time for it. I am glad  
to know that Father & Mother  
are doing so well this winter;  
and that they find the change  
of quarters so comfortable.

This is a dreary day over  
head & under foot - with snow  
last night, and rain & gloom  
today. Silence pervades my  
sanctuary, and this is my  
excuse for this Stupidity -  
not the silence so much as  
the heavy atmosphere -

Mary & I are booked for tea  
at Misses Bridges tonight, but  
the weather is so dubious that  
I doubt if Mary comes down.